

It is said that a good article of anthracite coal has been discovered in Madison county below Asheville.

The Stewards of Central church are requested to meet this Tuesday evening at 7.00 at the church. A full attendance is desired.

Tennessee will celebrate their centennial this year and governor Turney invites the governors of all the States to unite with him in making the affair national.

Are Senator Ben Tillman's fences giving way? We ask for information. It seems that some of his former admirers have found a hole through which they have slipped out.

This is the week of prayer appointed by the Evangelical Alliance. Union services were held in the Baptist church Monday night. Tuesday evening the meeting will be in the Methodist church and in the Presbyterian Wednesday evening. Services will begin at 7.30.

The Legislature meets next Tuesday. There will not be as much boresing as heretofore. This is a very important session and it becomes members to act on their own best judgment for the interest of all the people of the State. Puppets and coat tail swingers are not needed.

The Directors of the cotton States Exposition have decided that they lacked about \$175,000 of paying out. But they think the city has been benefited about \$5,000,000. Atlanta deserves great credit and commendation for her admirable management of the Exposition.

Last week the News and Courier had an excellent report from all the counties of the State, showing that the condition of farmers was better than it has been for years past. In all departments of industry there is decided progress and the outlook for this year is most encouraging.

List of Letters

Remaining in the Spartanburg post-office:

- B-J E Ball'w, John Beck, James Bearman, Milage Bustin, Jas H Burns. C-Starling Coleman. E-Miss C Josephine Estes, John Ellis.

- N-Emanuel Norris. P-Miss Emma Paris, Theo Petty (col). R-J A Roberts, D F Rodgers. S-S L Sanders, W L Sanders, M F Stading, Thos J Snyder, J H Sylvan. T-W T Tate. W-Miss Isabella Wingo, Jesse L William, D W Williams. Persons calling for these letters will please say advertised in the SPARTAN, Jan. 8th, 1896.

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- B-Jim Bilooe, Finch Bobo, Milley Burton, Larkin Burkley, C W Bagwell, Rachel Brown. C-J J Cates, W J Crocker. D-Catherine Dollard. F-Frank J Ferrington, Daisy Fitzgerald, R M Floyd. H-F M Hammond, Isreal Hames, Frank Hall, S Herman, Miss Agnes Hill, Julia Hampton. J-Camilous Jennings, Jennie Johnson, A B Jones. K-C L Knight, Jenny Kemp, Javan Kirby. M-B B Middleton, F P Moseley, Mrs Annie Mullins. N-Emanuel Norris. O-Prof R G C O'Bayant. P-Anderson Peak. S-G O Scaggs, J E Strickland, W R Scott, Luther Smith. T-Miss Lucile Tolleson. W-Miss Nancy Whitmire, Mrs R E Wilson, Floye Wilson, Cora F Williams, C W Wallace.

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H. D. FLOYD, Postmaster.

Major C. T. Pictou is manager of the State Hotel at Denison, Texas, which the travelling men say is one of the best hotels in that section. In speaking of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, Major Pictou says: "I have used it myself and in my family for several years, and take pleasure in saying that I consider it an infallible cure for diarrhoea and dysentery. I always recommend it, and have frequently administered it to my guests in the hotel, and in every case it has proven itself worthy of unqualified endorsement." For sale by all druggists.

Engaged Ones in Society.

An engaged girl may receive her future husband alone in her mother's drawing room, though it is requisite at some time during this daily visit after a considerate cough outside the portiere, or preliminary rattling of a door knob for the maternal dignity to hover a moment on the threshold. Out of consideration of her lover's feelings she does not receive her young men friends save on her mother's day at home. She accepts no invitations, except to gatherings of her own sex, where he is not included and devotes every attention to his family, with peculiar courtesies to his parents.

It is considered most important that together they attend church at least once every Sunday. They may drive, walk and bicycle alone, but must take an obliging younger member of the family along to the theater, opera and concerts. It is permitted them to go to a dinner party with only her maid's company, yet to a ball an older woman relative is the proper companion, and any demonstrations of affection in public are utterly discountenanced.

Discussion has raged high at times on the question of just what part an engaged pair have a right to take in the frivolities of society, and of late it has been satisfactorily decided that when attending a dancing party the happy couple should take a few turns together in a round dance, with partners of their own choosing, and then take their leave. As to the exchange of gifts between these young people a new and very sensible decision has been reached respecting their proper bestowal and value.

The engagement ring may be as splendid or simple affair as the man's taste and pocket can afford, while in exchange may be given a thin dish of ivory on which is painted a fair face, shut into a red leather, heart shaped case. This case is just large enough to fit nicely into an inside waistcoat pocket and closes with a lock, of which only the owner knows the spring. During the weeks of engagement an abundance of flowers, fruit, books, boubons and odds and ends of bric-a-brac are tokens proper to lay on the shrine of love, but not until the week before the wedding ought jewels to be given, for beyond her engagement ring none of them can be used by the recipient, and in case of any rupture of the agreement the return of such gifts is an awkward duty.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Cracked Will

It is a truthful confession: "I am afraid I have cracked my will." It needs a certain amount of courage openly to violate a law, human or divine, but the little deeds and courses of conduct that are almost and yet not quite a violation, are as easy as the spirit that takes refuge in them are cowardly. The life of many professors of religion is scored with the subtle fractures that result from little sins, like tempers, little acts of insincerity and selfishness. It is possible to crack a costly vase so finely that it cannot be noticed by the closest scrutiny; but let this be done again and again in different directions, and some day the vessel will suddenly fall to pieces at a touch, and without a sound.

When we hear of some one who has had a lifelong reputation for good character and consistent living suddenly falling into shameful sin, we are shocked and scandalized, and puzzled. If we knew all, we should find that the fall has only been sudden in its manifestations; right away back in the life there are a thousand "cracked" Commandments, and the final public exposure is but the falling of the vase to pieces, whose beauty has long been a lie and pretence.

This is unquestionably the prime lesson we should learn from the exposure and punishment of Jabez Balfour. His fall, at the time when the "Liberator" exposures took place, was a problem to many. We now see the meaning of it all. By reading the evidence at the trial just concluded, we can see how his career was a slow but sure descent into evil; one fraud leading to another insensibly, till at last the edifice of wrong which he had reared with such amazing skill, toppled over like a castle of cards. He cracked one and another of the Commandments, and at last he broke them, and made others break them and they involved one another in a common ruin and shame, which has now been brought home.—London Christian.

An iceing for cake that will be found inexpensive and good, may be made by taking three tablespoonfuls of milk and letting it come to a boil. Then set it aside and when it is cold add one teaspoonful of vanilla or other extract and stir in confectioner's sugar until thick enough to spread without running.

Colonel J. C. Haskell and Miss Hampton, a niece of General Wade Hampton, are to be married at Millwood near Columbia, this Tuesday.

A HOUSEHOLD TREASURE.

D. W. Fuller, of Canshoharie, N. Y., says that he always keeps Dr. King's New Discovery in the house and his family has always found the very best results follow its use; that he would not be without it, if procurable. G. A. Dykeman Druggist, Catskill, N. Y., says that Dr. King's New Discovery is undoubtedly the best Cough remedy; that he has used it in his family for eight years, and it has never failed to do all that is claimed for it. Why not try a remedy so long tried and tested. Trial bottles free at H. A. Ligon's drug store. Regular size 50c. and 1.00

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ASSESSMENT OF PROPERTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1895, '96.

For convenience of tax-payers, I will attend the following places on the days named, and at the hour specified, for the fiscal year 1895, 1896.

Table with columns: Location, Day, Time. Includes Route One (Campobello, Landrum, Inman, etc.) and Route Two (Glenn Springs, Paolet Mills, etc.).

Also, I shall attend the following places or shall be represented by my clerks on the day and hour named:

Table with columns: Location, Day, Time. Includes Route Two (Glenn Springs, Paolet Mills, etc.) and other locations like Grassy Pond, Maud, etc.

All male persons between the ages of 21 and 50 years shall be deemed taxable polls, except those incapable of earning a support from being maimed or otherwise disabled. Revised Statutes. As prompt attendance as possible is requested, so that any rush in the office may be avoided.

Tax-payers will take notice that all returns must be made between January 1st, and Feb. 20 or the fifty per cent penalty will be added as required by law.

Very Respectfully, L. P. EPTON, County Auditor.

Harper's Bazaar

IN 1896

The twenty-ninth year of Harper's Bazar, beginning in January, 1896, finds it maintaining its deserved reputation both as a Fashion Journal and a weekly periodical for home reading. Every week the Bazar presents beautiful toilettes for various occasions, Sandos, Baude, and Chapuis illustrate and engrave the newest designs from the finest models in Paris and Berlin. New York Fashions epitomizes current styles in New York. A fortnightly pattern-sheet supplement with diagrams and directions enables women to cut and make their own gowns, and is of great value to the professional modiste as well as to the amateur dress-maker. Children's clothing receives constant attention. Fashions for men are described in full detail by a man-about-town. Our Paris Letter, by Katharine De Forest, is a sprightly weekly recital of fashion, gossip, and social doings in Paris, given by a clever woman in an entertaining way.

Both the serials for 1896 are the work of American women. Mrs. Gerald, by Marie Louise Pool, is a striking story of New England life. Marv E. Wilkins, in Jerome, a Poor Man, discusses the always interesting problems of the relations between labor and capital. Short stories will be written by the best authors. Special Departments.—Music, The Outdoor Woman, Personals, What We Are Doing, Women and Men, report and discuss themes of immediate interest.

Answers to Correspondents.—Questions receive the personal attention of the editor, and are answered at the earliest practicable date after their receipt.

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NOTICE.

The regular meeting of the stockholders of the Merchants and Farmers' Bank of Spartanburg, S. C., will be held in their Banking House in this city on Wednesday, January 8, 1896, at 11 o'clock a. m.

A. L. WHITE, JOSEPH WALKER, Cashier, President.

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FINAL DISCHARGE.

Notice is hereby given to all concerned that I will apply to Hon. Jos. J. Gentry Probate Judge of Spartanburg county, State of South Carolina, at his office on the 30th day January 1896, for a final discharge as administrator of the Estate of Mrs. L. M. Mahaffey deceased.

J. F. MAHAFFEY, Administrator.

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